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HELLO OUT THERE FELLOW SASQUATCH RESEARCHERS. IN THIS ISSUE YOU ARE GOING TO SEE ARTICLES CONCERNING BIGFOOT FROM CLIFF CROOK OF BIGFOOT CENTRAL. YOU WILL ALSO READ ARTICLES FROM WAYNE KING, DIRECTOR OF THE MICHIGAN / CANADIAN BIG-FOOT INFO CENTER AND FROM LYLE VANN, DIRECTOR OF THE ARIZONA BIGFOOT CENTER. THERE IS ALSO A LETTER TO THE EDITOR FROM PETER BYRNE. IF ANYBODY HAS ENCOUNTERED SASQUATCH, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT ME OR CALL ME.
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CREDIT TO CLIFF CROOK
LETTER TO THE EDITOR
ON SHOOTING A SASQUATCH.
2-A-MILL CREEK ENTERPRISE, July 9, 1986
CLIFF CROOK provided everything from news clippings to 'a recording of alleged Sasquatch sounds for a Hollywood movie about the legendary creature. Crews for the Universal Productions film "Harry and the Hendersons" last week concluded five weeks of shooting in the Seattle area. (Photo by Don Kirkpatrick)
Bigfoot expert Cliff Crook leaves imprint on Hollywood movie
By DON KIRKPATRICK
Cliff Crook's 30 years of tracking Bigfoot proved useful to a

Hollywood film crew, which has left the Seattle area after five weeks of on-location work for a movie about the legendary creature.

Crook, who lives in the Queensborough neighborhood of south Snohomish County, provided information, news clippings. photographs, artwork, books, plaster casts of footprints, a tape of alleged Bigfoot sounds and other materials for the Universal Productions movie "Harry and the Hendersons."

"He just talked about what a real person who was involved in Sasquatch would talk about and what he would be an expert in," said Linda DeScenna, the movie's set decorator. "He was wonderful. He gave us a lot of stuff from the Bigfoot information center

Actually, "gave" is not the right word. Crook did not say how much he was paid, but added. "I'm happy."

John Lithgow. Melinda Dillon and Don Ameche will star in the film, which has moved to Los

CREDIT TO PETER BYRNE

There is a popular belief among the sasquatch hunters of the Pacific Northwest that the name of the man who shoots the first of the creatures, bags it and brings it in, will become a household word. Those who support this notion and who assiduously hunt the big hominids with high-powered guns, do so only to give reason and excuse to their pursuit. They call the creatures animals and assure us that being large and hair-covered they simply could not be men. They credit them with violent acts, everything from kidnapping children to tearing people limb from limb. And they state, with absolute conviction, that the only way to ever prove that the creatures exist is to shoot one. Gun it down. Chop it up. Deliver the bits and pieces to the nearest scientific examiner.

We do not know who or what the sasquatch are. We do not know where they came from or how many there are. In fact, even after all these years we still know very little and even the so-called experts among us fit nothing more than the common definition of the word expert...someone who has nothing more to learn.

We do know, however -and of this we are certain- they whatever or whoever they are, they are harmless and inoffensive creatures, with absolutely no historical record of violence or aggression towards man. We also know-and again we are certain- that like our little planet's higher life form, man, they are the only primates to walk upright. We also are cognizant of the fact -from highly credible eye-witness reports- that size and hair covering apart, they look oddly like us, or at the least like a primitive version of us.

More and more people, becoming convinced of the reality of the sasquatch, are becoming aware of the criminality of shooting one simply to prove that they exist. As to the name of the man who "bags" the first one becoming a household word, there is little doubt that this may well be true. A household

word that will rank in infamy with that of Lee Harvey Oswald, Sirhan Sirhan and James Earl Ray.
Peter Byrne. F.R.G.S.
Director. The Bigfoot Research Project Hood. 1. (800) BIGFOOT
Angeles for the final seven to eight
weeks of shooting. DeScenna sald
It will be released around
Christmas or next summer, she
said.
Much of the material Crook pro-
vided was used to fashion a
"Bigfoot museum" at Pacific Nor
thwest Studios in Seattle.
"We had a number of sources
and Cliff was one of the main
ones," DeScenna said.
"They spent a long time talking
to me about the subject, basical
ly," Crook recalled. "It's going to
be based on 'E T:: a peaceful
character."
Crook and his family received a
tour of the set and a promise of
getting "goodies" T-shirts,
posters, hats, etc. - once shooting
was completed. They already
have gotten a few souvenirs, in-
cluding Bigfoot bumper stickers
and windbreakers that say "I Saw
Bigfoot" on the back.
"It's kind of fun being a part of
It," Crook said. "It's interesting
seeing how they do those things."
CROOK, whose telephone
number can be found in the white
pages under Bigfoot Central/Sas
quatch Investigation Reports (it's
listed in nine states), thinks the
movie will reverse the current
trend in reports of Sasquatch
sightings.
"One of the reasons I'm excited
10-A-MILL CREEK ENTERPRISE, July 9, 1900
Local man has tracked Bigfoot for 30 years
Continued from Page 2-A
About L, is when it comes out, it's
gonna make Bigfoot like a
household word," he said. "I'm
goons get reports from all over the
place.
"That's what I'm here for -
reports. This Sasquatch stuff has
been no dead for so long, maybe

people will start coming out of the woodwork again"

Crook said he has tracked Sas qualches since 1956, when one of the creatures interrupted a teen-age camping expedition with friends

"It picked up a German abepherd and threw it right next to our campfire," be recalled. "Nobody I talked to believed my story.

Eventually, Crook became involved with a network of Bigfoot investigators. He works primarily Canadian man, Rene with a Dahinden, co-author of a book entUtled "Sasquatch." Together, they travel to locations of Bigfoot sigbungs to interview witnesses, to look for footprints, to examine disturbed vegetation.

The rest of the time Crook works free-lance cartoonist, poster-maker and landscaper, be said. He does other odd jobs, like c one he's -designing an got right now eight-foot sculpture of a Sasquatch that will grace the front of a restaurant and gift shop.

"I'm really not tied to any job, Dever have been," said Crook. "La case I get a call, I can go out on things

A spare bedroom in his subur ban home serves as his office. which is uncluttered bat full of Bigfoot evidence and memorabilia. Dominating the room is a display case containing footprint casts, samples of hair and excrement, and a six-pound rock that Crook says a Sasquatch near Sultan threw at him in 1978. A file of tape-recarded laterviews with Bigfoot witnesses sits on the display case.

TWO WALLS nearly are covered with pictures and Dews

articles about Sasquatches and about Crook. There also are let. ters, such as one from a young girl thanking Crook for his belp in ber Bigfoot research project. In a 1977 letter, then-Gov. Dixy Lee Ray thanks Crook for his interest in passing a Bigfoot-protection law. "When the necessary proof does exist," Ray writes, "I assure you I will give proper consideration to the matter."

A map of Washington is posted on a third wall. It is stuck with tacks, indicating reported Sas quatch sightings. The most recent report, in central Whatcom Coun- ty in April, la marked with a black Lack Crook, however, said be could not comment on the case, at his partner's request.

A room also houses a small desk and a bookcase, which books bear- ing such titles as "The Bigfoot Casebook," "On the Track of the Sasquatch," "Bigfoot. Man Monster or Myth?" and several editions of "Ripley's Believe it or Not

Crook said he has seen a Sas quatch "a couple of times" since his 1956 camping trip, when he was

But do most people really

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believe the elusive creature is real?

"It's about half and half." be said. "I think most people are coo- chading that there's got to be something out there. A cynic will tell you it doesn't exist because be's never seen one and be's been all over the woods"

Many scientists are "really cynical" said Crook, but "there's no way they can explain away the evidence

Evidence includes tracks. measuring up to 21 inches long and 10 inches across, and hair strands that have been analyzed as com an unknown type of

from
primate.
Crook said be used to get about 10 "solid" Sasquatch reports each year, but now the average is down to about one a year.
"It's been slow, real slow," be said. "Probably because, I think. the people are getting more afraid to report than in the past."
Why?
For one thing, he said. people are afraid a Sasquatch will be shot and killed if it is reported. And, Crook added, people are "led up with calling in to people who don't believe in their story
The drop in reports appears to coincide with the May 18, 1980, eruption of Mount St. Helens. But be does not know whether there's any connection.
"We're Just using it for a marker," be said. "The reports just started to fade like you wouldn't believe."
La fact. Crook gets many more requests for information than be does reports of sightings, be said. Ha used to speak to classes al area schools, but be found each presentation led to a deluge of other requests.
"Once you start... It's a chair you just can't believe." Crool said. He now has plans to marke Bigfoot information kits for $5 to [AD] $10.
Many of the requests be geu come from reporters. He receply was interviewed by representatives of a Japanese magazine And Sports Illustrated called him for a story included in its Jan. 6, 1806, issue. He asked to be left out of the story, and said be was glad that be had been
"They made it sound like everybody who sees one is nuts. be said.
THOUGH BIGFOOT often is thought of as pecuitar to the

Pacific Northwest, in fact. Crook
said, the creature lives all over the
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or simply the X of Africa.
"All seven continents have
" said Crook, although be
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said be discounts the two sightings
in Antarctica of which be is
familiar. "It's easy to start seeing
things down there."
One of Crook's going in-
vestigations involves a woman in
San Juan County, who says she
repeatedly sees a Sasquatch out
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"There's so many impostors in
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and go.
THE WALLS of Cliff Crook's office in his Queensborough home tell and show what Bigfoot is all about. (Photo by Don Kirkpatrick)
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Paulden man says Bigfoot creatures roam in Arizona
By Filchard W. Kebed
REVIEW Reporter
man
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savs Lyle Vann, director of the of Bigfoot research is being carried
Anzona Bigfoot Center in Paulden.
on in Californ
Vann said he has often seen Big-
foot creatures while hiking around
the rugged country of central and
northern Arizona. The mumals tend
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expert at camouflaging themselves
Vann came into the Review α-
fice last week with a folder of color-
ed pictures he claims contam the
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"Bigfoot is very humanlike." he
explained. "Each one is a unQUE LD-
dividual. Some of them have brown
hair, some have black hair, some
have white hair, and some have no
hair. Some of the big balls (males)
are very identifiable individuals.
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or with a cape."
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Director, Artzona Bigtect Canmer
Vann believes the Bigfoot crea
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"Many people think that Bigfoo
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Vann said. "That's not the case
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Vann vs anyone who has
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BIGFOOT FAMILY. Investigator Lyte Vann took this photo of a Biglet
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of a bear," he add
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Bigfoot
One hunter keeps
a vigil for a very
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west of Marlette, and saw two ani-
mals on the forest's edge at dusk, une
-possibly an offspring - much
smaller than the other.
"I saw their eyes," he recalled with
a shudder. "They were china white."
Since he was unarmed, King said he
called the state police, but the crea-
tures had gone back into the woods
when the car arrived. King said he
and a trooper went into woods and
were close to a creature but the dark-
ness prevented them from seeing it.
"It was the only time I have
known fear. We could hear it breath-
ing. I knew we were gonna be hit. I
could feel it coming," he said. "I
heard the trooper take the safety vif
his gun. And then there was si-
lence.
In 1979, King said he received a
call from Art Kapa of Mayville, a
field investigator at that time, whose
daughter was playing in the yard
near the forest and "saw a Bigfoot
unfold from behind a pine tree.
"We kept an all-night vigil that
night, King said. "We heard sports
and growls but never saw it."
In 1984, while driving along M-46
at 4:30 a.m. near Enos Park outside
of Caro, King said a Bigfoot crossed
the highway.
King described other sightings:
1977, Benzie County Zan:
Gray, now sheriff of Benzie County,
reported finding 27 tracks at a gorge
site near Lake Ann where some con-
struction on family property was pro-
ceeding. Less than a week later, more
tracks were found on a road close-by.

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area and mysterious noises." Gray re-
called recently from his Traverse
City office. "The tracks were from a
flexible foot and they were sunk in
the dirt showing considerable weight
At the time, I was open to the possi
bility of a Bigfoot, but now that all
this time has elapsed without finding
one, I believe somebody made the
tracks.
"But I have no idea how
1978, Barryton, Mich.
Wildlife photographer and film pro
ducer Gene Little called King to the
Hughs swamp Little was shooting
footage of track sightings for a Grand
Rapids television station. Local resi
dents had seen the animal and didn!
know what it was. Dogs were report-
edly terrified. Little, who often shot
film for the Michigan Outdoors TV
program died within the year, but
King has a taped account.
Little spoke of tracks that
"seemed to mold over rocks and sink
214 to 3 inches in moderately hard
dirt." He and a big game hunter with
hun in have any answer. "Little
said. But, he added: "I don t see how
it can be a hoax."
1979, Clare County - Nicho-
las Zurawic and his fiance Abby Mat-
thews, both senior law students at
the University of Michigan, reported
seeing three huge hairy creatures
race across the road ahead of them on
US 27,50 miles north of Midland.

The couple now married and living in Oklahoma left a tape recording with King

"At first I thought they were people, but they were moving so fast I was sure they had to be deer, Zurawic said. "I just couldn't believe what I was seeing They weren't human."

King said he later checked the fenced median on the highway at the spot and found that it had been broken through.

1981, Fort Custer State Recreation Area - Several sightings of a "9-foot hairy creature" near the Kalamazoo River, according to the Battle Creek Enquirer. Making the rounds of adjacent military land in a park truck one evening, Bill Kosmider, then a recreation supervisor, and state trooper Paul Uerling from the Hastings Post "saw a huge creature on the frozen surface of a beaver" pond" but were unable to get in for a closer look, according to the newspaper report

Kosmider, now the deputy park director, refused further comment when contacted recently

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For doubting Thomases, King enjoys pulling out his plaster footprints, one sel made at Barryton by Gene Little, another from the Zane Gray family site. They measure 175- to 19 inches long and show an ape-like toed foot with a ball imprint not the type of forgery made by someone wearing "feel" imprints. Droppings taken from the Benzie County site now encased in glass were analyzed by a DNR wildlife biologist and were said to be "from no known Michigan animal," King said.

66 This is a very powerful, very cunning animal (Bigfoot). Even with firearms, man is at a disadvantage."5

Wayne L. King

"Do I look like a rational man to you?" Kings asked. It is the question of a man who acts as his own sounding board. His wife died in 1970 in a tragic auto accident, along with her mother and three sisters. King's three daughters are grown, and he works as a press operator at a General Motors plant in Flint. He, too, was once a disbeliever and investigated sightings for three years before opening the center in 1977, he said.

"I manufacture nothing. I sell nothing," King said. The center is strictly for research."

Yet since his venture into Bigfoot territory, Wayne King's world has changed inhabited by pranksters (he has debunked five Bigfoot hoaxes), crazies ("I won't investigate in Ohio; they see flying saucers there"), and mugwamp authorities ("The state knows Bigfoot is out there but the public policy is non-commitment.")

Then there are the detractors who put Bigfoot down as a fable and label King a publicity seeker.

When asked about King and his exploits, Tuscola County Undersheriff Paul Megge said: "I refuse to taik to him: I think Bigfoot is a bunch of hogwash. I think it's a big publicity stunt and you people perpetuate it every time you write about it."

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